

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An airbag and a structure for attaching the airbag to a vehicle body, comprising:

an airbag comprising a fabric sheet with a hole, wherein the fabric sheet is attached to the vehicle body by inserting a threaded fastener through the hole of the fabric sheet and screwing the fastener into a fastening hole formed in the vehicle body, and

a spacer positioned in the hole of the fabric sheet, the spacer having a cylindrical portion inserted in the hole of the fabric sheet, the diameter of the cylindrical portion being smaller than the inner diameter of the hole of the fabric sheet,

wherein the spacer comprises a plurality of hooks, wherein the hooks are arranged about an outer circumference of the cylindrical portion, wherein the cylindrical portion extends between the hooks in a longitudinal direction of the spacer,

wherein the threaded fastener is inserted into the cylindrical portion,

wherein an end of the spacer is in contact with the vehicle body and another end of the spacer is provided with a flange having a diameter larger than the inner diameter of the hole of the fabric sheet,

wherein the spacer is configured to rotate within the hole of the fabric sheet,

wherein the spacer comprises a spacer rear body and a spacer front body to be connected with the spacer rear body, wherein at least one of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body include a pair of said hooks, each hook being provided with a pawl.

2. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 1, wherein the flange is integrally formed with the cylindrical portion.

3. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 1, wherein the spacer includes a spacer rear body and a spacer front body to be connected with the spacer rear body,

wherein either the spacer front body or spacer rear body includes the flange, and the other of the spacer front body and spacer rear body includes an enlarged portion larger than

the hole of the fabric sheet, the enlarged portion being located between the vehicle body and the fabric sheet.

4. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 1, ~~An airbag and a structure for attaching the airbag to a vehicle body, comprising:~~

~~an airbag comprising a fabric sheet with a hole, wherein the fabric sheet is attached to the vehicle body by inserting a threaded fastener through the hole of the fabric sheet and screwing the fastener into a fastening hole formed in the vehicle body, and~~

~~a spacer positioned in the hole of the fabric sheet, wherein the spacer includes a spacer rear body and a spacer front body to be connected with the spacer rear body, wherein at least one of the spacer rear body and the spacer front body include a cylindrical portion inserted in the hole of the fabric sheet, wherein the diameter of the cylindrical portion is smaller than the inner diameter of the hole of the fabric sheet, wherein the spacer front body includes a flange having a diameter larger than the inner diameter of the hole of the fabric sheet, wherein the spacer rear body includes an enlarged portion larger than the hole of the fabric sheet, wherein the enlarged portion is located between the vehicle body and the fabric sheet,~~

~~wherein the spacer comprises a plurality of hooks, wherein the hooks are arranged about an outer circumference of the cylindrical portion, wherein the cylindrical portion extends between the hooks in a longitudinal direction of the spacer,~~

~~wherein the threaded fastener is inserted into the cylindrical portion,~~

~~wherein the spacer includes a tacking member for tacking the spacer to the vehicle body so that the tacking member engages with an engaging hole in the vehicle body, and the spacer is configured to rotate within the hole of the sheet prior to tacking the spacer to the vehicle body with the tacking member.~~

5. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 1, wherein the hole in the fabric sheet is located in an edge portion of an airbag that is intended to protect a vehicle occupant's head.

Claims 6-8 (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 1 [[8]], wherein both of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body include a pair of said hooks, wherein the hooks are provided with a pawl,

wherein both of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body include receiving holes that are configured to engage with the pair of hooks of the other of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body.

10. (Currently Amended) A spacer for attaching an airbag including a fabric sheet to a vehicle body, comprising:

a spacer, wherein the spacer is adapted to be positioned in a hole of the fabric sheet, the spacer including a cylindrical portion inserted in the hole of the fabric sheet, the diameter of the cylindrical portion being smaller than the inner diameter of the hole of the fabric sheet,

wherein the spacer includes a plurality of hooks, wherein the hooks are arranged about an outer circumference of the cylindrical portion, wherein the cylindrical portion extends between the hooks in a longitudinal direction of the spacer,

wherein the fabric sheet is attached to the vehicle body by inserting a threaded fastener through a hole of the fabric sheet and screwing the fastener into a fastening hole formed in the vehicle body,

wherein the threaded fastener is inserted into the cylindrical portion,

wherein an end of the spacer is in contact with the vehicle body and another end of the spacer is provided with a flange having a diameter larger than the inner diameter of the hole of the fabric sheet,

wherein the spacer is configured to rotate within the hole of the fabric sheet,

wherein the spacer comprises a spacer rear body and a spacer front body to be connected with the spacer rear body, wherein at least one of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body include a pair of said hooks, each hook being provided with a pawl.

11. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 1, wherein the spacer is configured to be separate from the threaded fastener so that the spacer and threaded fastener form separate pieces.

12. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 9, wherein both of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body comprise a flange, wherein the receiving holes are formed in the flanges.

13. (Currently Amended) The airbag and structure for attaching of claim 9, wherein the receiving holes comprise step portions formed for catching the pawls when the hooks are inserted into the receiving holes.

14. (New) The spacer of claim 10, wherein both of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body include a pair of said hooks, wherein the hooks are provided with a pawl,
wherein both of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body include receiving holes that are configured to engage with the pair of hooks of the other of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body.

15. (New) The spacer of claim 14, wherein both of the spacer front body and the spacer rear body comprise a flange, wherein the receiving holes are formed in the flanges.

16. (New) The spacer of claim 14, wherein the receiving holes comprise step portions formed for catching the pawls when the hooks are inserted into the receiving holes.